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Applicant:

Riley, Carl W. et al.

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Examiner:

Nguyen, T.

Atty. Docket:

8266-1221

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response in the above-identified application:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	FEE	
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. 1.16(c))	21	24	0	\$50	\$0	
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b))	5	6	0	\$200	\$0	
If applicant has small entity status under 37 C.F.R 1.9 and 1.27, then divide total fee by 2, and enter amount here.  SMALL ENTITY TOTAL					\$0	
TOTAL FEE FOR ADDITIONAL CLAIMS					\$0	

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An Extension of Time for month(s) is hereby requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a). The required fee for filing this extension is:	
Information Disclosure Statement	
TOTAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT	\$0.00
A check in the amount of \$\ to cover the total fee for this amendment is attached.	

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17 which may be required during the prosecution of this application, or credit of any overpayment, to Bose McKinney & Evans LLP's Deposit Account No. 02-3223. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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## PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Arlington, VA 22313-1450

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Dear Sir:

Group:

The following is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed March 11, 2005.

The Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

The **Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.